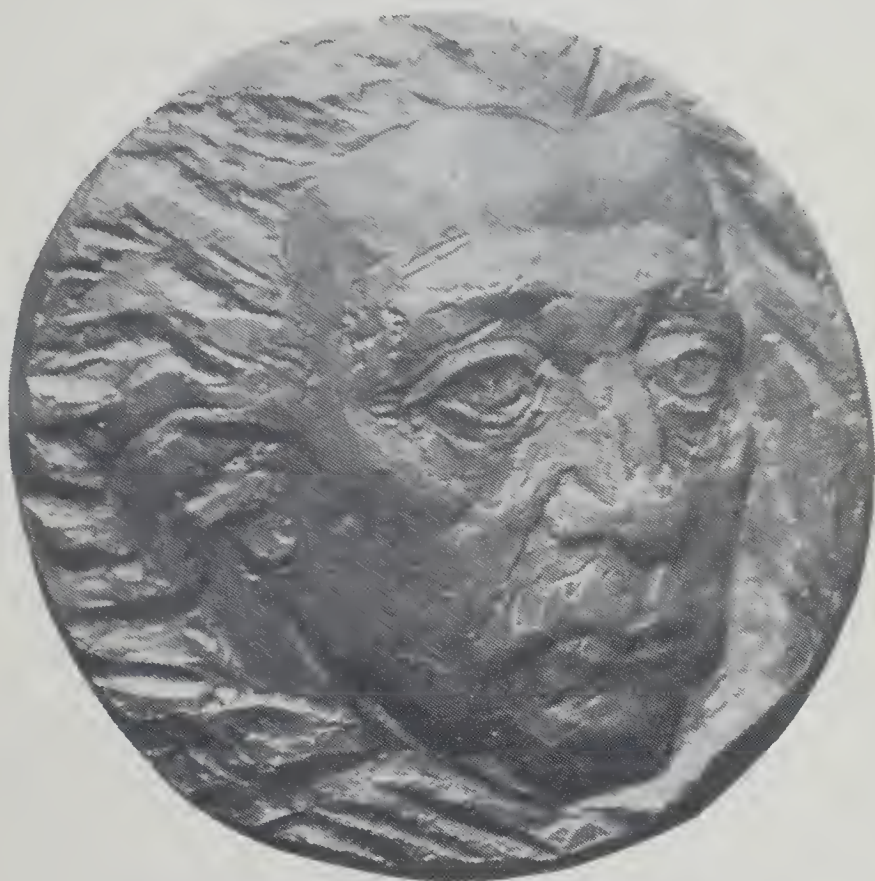


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• Literary Awards

Congratulations to the winners of the Calcoin News Literary Awards! Edward Southworth Fisher's *The Story Behind Britain's Lima Coins* took top honors. *Avignon: Historical City* by Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald placed second. Both authors received engraved silver medallions, awarded by Associate Editor Al Lo at the January convention in San Jose. Other reader favorites were Virginia Hall's *History of CSNA Medallions*; *Visit the Johnson Suite at the US Treasury*, by Dr. Tom Fitzgerald; and Michael Turrini's continuing in-depth studies of the *1946 Iowa Commemorative Half Dollar*. Those authors were presented engraved bronze medals at the same occasion.

• Lots of Good Reading in this Issue

The saga of the *Iowa Centennial Commemorative Half Dollar* concludes its run in Calcoin News with its twenty-first chapter in this issue. The series continues in "The Commemorative Trail", the publication of the Society of the United States Commemorative Coins.

Dr. Tom Fitzgerald checks in with his third installment of *Alex Shagin, California Artist and Sculptor*. Mr. Shagin was recently honored by the American Numismatic Society with the presentation of their prestigious J. Sanford Saltus Award for Signal Achievement in the Art of the Medal. Mr. Shagin stands in excellent company with the likes of past Saltus winners James Earle and Laura Gardin Fraser, Adolf A. Weinman, John Flanagan, Victor D. Brenner, and Hermon MacNeil - to list just a few of the most instantly recognizable names.

The curious combination of a symbol of defeat and a symbol of victory on the same coin, a Philippine commemorative struck at the San Francisco Mint, is examined by L.V. Reppeteau. The tale of the events it commemorates is told in *Out of Defeat Came Victory*.

• New Authors Welcomed

Calcoin News seeks to continue its award-winning ways, and to set new standards for journalistic excellence in its category. We have been in touch with a number of talented numismatists within and outside CSNA to request their submission of material for future articles. Readers can expect some very interesting material to appear in Calcoin News in future issues. We welcome unsolicited manuscripts as well. New writers need not be discouraged or shy - the editor is kind and quite willing to assist your article into publication. We welcome your letters, too. Address manuscripts and correspondence to the Editor, Calcoin News, 1441 North Clovis Avenue, Suite 41, Fresno, CA 93727.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

PHILIP IVERSEN
CSNA PRESIDENT



I thank you for your vote of confidence in electing me CSNA president for a two year term. I hope that my leadership, along with that of my fellow officers, will enable our organization to continue to shine brightly in the numismatics arena. I ask the candidates who ran for office but were not elected this time for their continued support and I strongly encourage them to run again. We need more people to become involved for this will bring new ideas, workers willing to be active in many needed areas, and provide training for future leadership of the organization.

My appreciation is expressed to the San Jose Coin Club for allowing us once again to have our northern convention (see related articles in this issue) in conjunction with their annual January coin show. I feel both events, the convention and the coin show, are mutually beneficial, and I will work to see that this accommodation will continue in the future.

Our next Southern California convention has been set for September 22 & 23, again at the Golden State Coin Show, co-sponsored with COIN, NASC, and SIN. The event will be held this year at the Pickwick Center in Burbank, in the San Fernando Valley just north of Los Angeles. The new location is easy to reach by freeway, not far from the Burbank Airport, and will allow us to hold the same functions we've had in the past, but with improved amenities for both the dealers and the collectors in attendance. Mark the dates on your calendar. Plan now to attend

When my predecessor took office he had one problem in need of immediate attention - that of finding a new editor for Calcoin News. History repeats itself - this time in triplicate. Freddie Grant has resigned her position as Historian. The post is still vacant. All of the records she has kept have been relocated to safe storage until her replacement is found.

Joyce Kuntz informed me that she would be not able to assume the duties to which she was elected. It pleases me to be able to report that Dorothy Baber has accepted an appointment to this position. Finally, and of greatest concern, is that Dorothy Beaulieu has announced her intention to relinquish, in the near future, her job as librarian. A new librarian must be found soon so that we may continue to offer books for reading and research to our membership. The job requires more space than time, and hopefully, the library's books can be housed relatively close to where they now are so that the cost and time involved in moving them will be minimal. Any volunteers?

The American Numismatic Association's 104th Convention is barely four months away and final preparations are in progress. The considerable time, talent, and effort thus far invested by the committee members will assure you of a convention that all CSNA members can enjoy and be proud of in August.

The Officers and Board of Governors
and The Editors and Staff of Calcoin News,
along with the entire Membership of CSNA
extend their congratulations to

Dorothy Baber
receipient of the
American Numismatic Association's
Farran Zerbe Award

The Zerbe Award, winners of which are selected annually by an Awards Committee and approved by the Board of Governors of the ANA, is the highest honor the association can bestow for distinguished numismatic service.

Congratulations, Dorothy!

ANaheim '95 - Special Report

Special Commemorative Medal to be Struck --

CSNA and other clubs host hospitality room,

by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Convention General Chairman

The California State Numismatic Association will strike a special, limited edition, official medal in commemoration of the 104th ANA Anniversary Convention in Anaheim. The medals will be available in silver, bronze, and oxidized bronze and may be purchased individually or as a set. Prices are as advertised on the adjacent page. Order from Joyce Kuntz, please.

At the January CSNA meeting in San Jose, further plans were made for our hospitality room in Anaheim. Joyce Kuntz has been named hostess and will be in charge of all preparation and operation of the room. You all are invited to come by to relax and partake of refreshments and conversation. We will offer some special drawings, ask you to register and invite you to pinpoint your hometown on our special map. CSNA is sharing the hospitality room with other Southern California numismatic organizations.

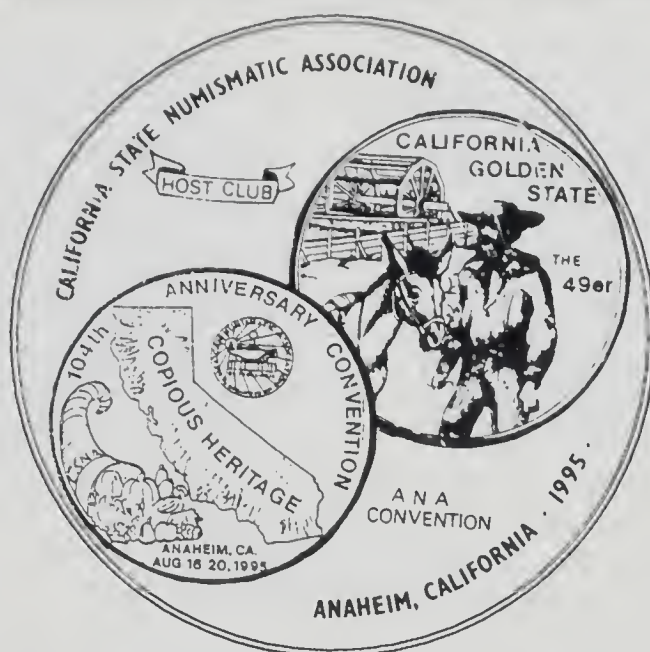
We hope many of you are planning to exhibit some special aspect of your collection at Anaheim. Exhibit applications should be obtained from the *American Numismatic Association*, 818 North Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903. July 17 is the deadline for submissions.

Freddie Grant is preparing a special display of a complete collection of our CSNA medals. Also, we plan to have our many ANA Calcoin News Awards on view with recent copies of the magazine available for your enjoyment. We hope to sign many new members.

We appreciate the large number of you who have contacted us to help by working on the various committees before and during the show. We still room for more of you - please contact me, or the committee chairs at the addresses listed below. You reach me by phone at (818) 335-3343.

It is strongly recommend that your hotel reservations be made as early as possible if you plan to stay at the Convention Hotel (Hilton), or the Marriott Hotel. As you may know, August is one of the peak months for visitation at nearby *Disneyland*.

Special Limited Edition Medal Honors CSNA's Hosting of the 104th ANA Convention in Anaheim--



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CSNA Needs You! Will You Help?

Those who would like to assist CSNA with preparations for the ANA convention may contact the committee chairs as listed below. CSNA values your participation.

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Young Numismatists who wish to participate in the ANA Conventions, must be a member of either ANA or CSNA. Membership contact for CSNA is Ethel Lenhart, at the address above.

ALEXANDER SHAGIN

CALIFORNIA ARTIST & SCULPTOR

Part 3

Shagin's First Works in the United States

by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald

Part two of this series concluded with the immigration of the Shagin family, Alex and his parents, to California in 1979. The artist seemed to not miss a beat. Almost immediately he received a private commission to produce his first medal in his new country, a 60mm bronze medal honoring the renowned Swiss-German scientist born in 1879 of Jewish parentage, Albert Einstein.

Ever mindful of his new-found liberty and in appreciation of those who inspired him to seek freedom, medallic works honoring the founder of the Polish Solidarity Movement, Lech Walesa (pictured in part 1 of this series), and Anatoly Scharansky, a Soviet Jew who spent nearly six and one-half years as a "prisoner of conscience" in a Soviet prison, soon followed. This was Shagin's first work offered to the American general public. Other Soviet dissidents commemorated on medals were Andrei Sakharov and Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

Next to be honored was the American author George Orwell. His novel "1984", which offered the specter of "Big Brother" always watching, was significant to Shagin because he saw it as a fact-of-life in the Soviet Union.

Part two discussed the work that Alex Shagin completed with the 1980 Soviet Union's Olympic coins while employed at the Leningrad Mint. It is not surprising that Mr. Shagin should become involved with the 1984 Olympics scheduled for Los Angeles. Peace, good will, and the brotherhood that are the cornerstone of the Olympic movement certainly appealed to Mr. Shagin.

"The Olympic movement is something very close to my heart. I very much admire the spirit of freedom and competition, the purity, and the tradition," says Alex Shagin.

His first medallic design was shown in a New York exhibition of the American Medallic Sculptors Association. Medallic Art Company chose the Olympic design from among all the entries as the basis for a medal marking the AMSA show. Mr. Shagin has, in fact, designed nearly a dozen pieces for the XXII Olympiad including one to honor the 1972 Israeli athletes who were slain by terrorists in Munich.



1984 OLYMPICS ATHLETES IN ACTION

This medal was done for the American Medallic Sculptors Association and exhibited in New York



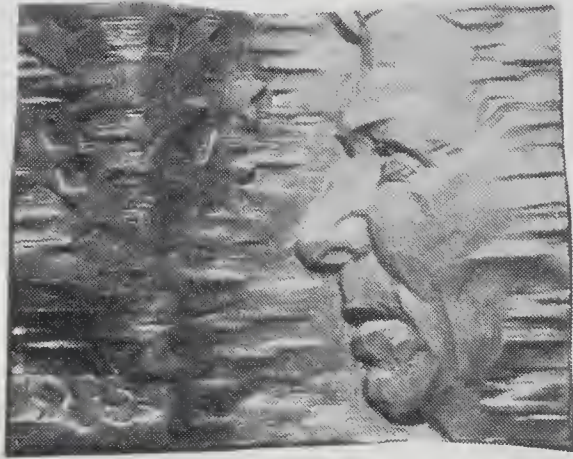
ONE PLANET, 1986 114TH ISSUE OF THE SOCIETY OF MEDALLERS

Obverse: Children holding hands, encircling the globe.

The children's dancing, free and fearless, around the globe, holding hands, symbolizes man's hopes for the future of civilization.

Reverse: Space capsule between moon and distant Earth, against starry sky. The viewer is looking into space from a distant point, watching the tiny spacecraft approaching the huge moon, with the Earth receding in the distance.

THE MEDALLIC ART



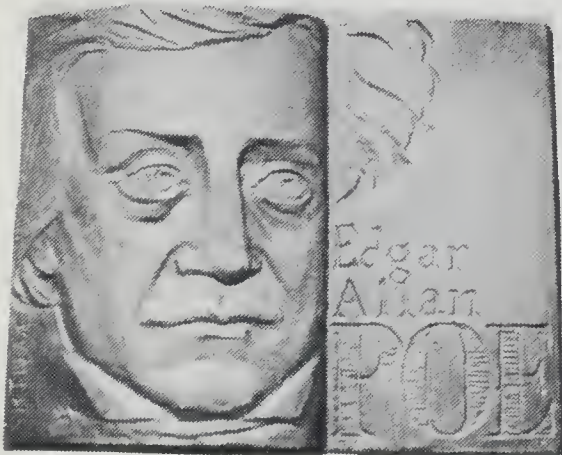
RONALD REAGAN, 1985

Shagin admired the President and wanted to depict the struggle of America against totalitarianism. Medal commemorates Reagan's second inauguration. President Reagan was given the first medal.

Obverse: Left facing profile, American flag in background

Reverse: Flag and inscription, God Bless America

Bronze cast plaque, 100mm x 80mm (approx. 4" x 3")



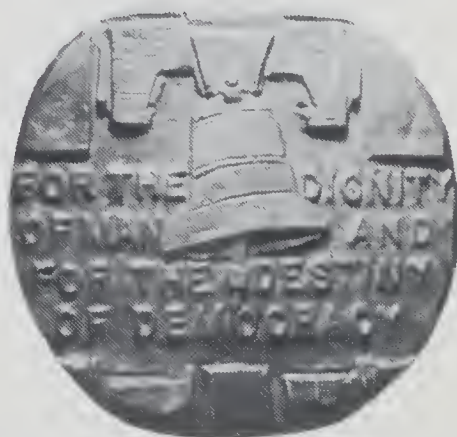
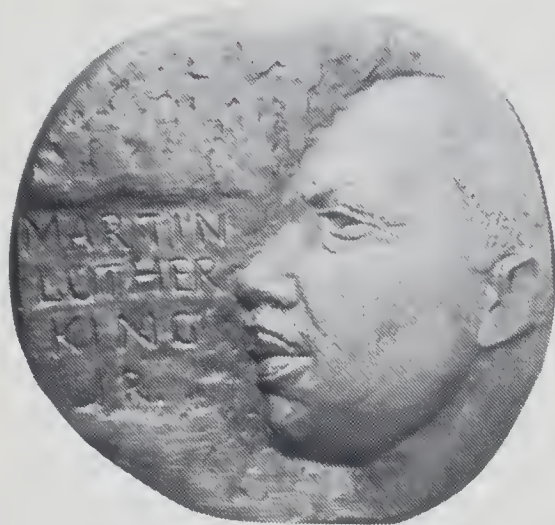
EDGAR ALLEN POE, 1987

Obverse: Background styled like pages of an open book. Portrait faces viewer from left page, authors name is inscribed on right page.

Reverse: Hand and wrist, chained to board wall, a theme from one of Shagin's favorite Poe works.

Bronze cast plaque, 70 x 90 mm (2 3/4" x 3 1/2")

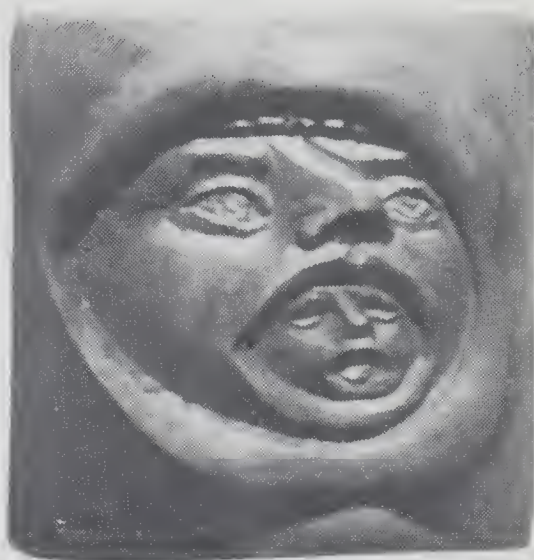
OF ALEX SHAGIN



MARTIN LUTHER KING, 1983

Obverse: A left-facing profile of the visionary and charismatic civil rights leader, name inscribed on a textured background.

Reverse: Liberty Bell, inscription "For the Dignity of Man and for the Destiny of Democracy."



HOMO HOMINI, 1988

"Homo Homini" is from Erasmus; "Homo homini aut deus aut lupus." - Man is to man either a god or a wolf. Echoing Shagin's passionate preoccupation with preservation of freedom, this piece warns to be alert to the predator.

Obverse: Directly facing head and shoulders of a wolf, legend.

Reverse: A face within the mouth of a face, in the mouth of a third.

Bronze cast plaque, 75mm x 77mm (approx. 3" square)

Out of Defeat Came Victory

The Story of the 1967 Philippine Peso

by L. V. Reppeteau

In 1967 the Central Bank of the Philippines commissioned the San Francisco Mint to strike 100,000 One Peso coins to mark the "25th Anniversary of the Fall of Bataan." Struck in .900 fine silver, each coin is 38.1 millimeters in diameter, weighs 26.73 grams, bears no mintmark, and has a proof-like surface. The pesos were struck on the same presses then being used to produce the US. Special Mint Sets.

The coin's obverse features an upright, broken, flaming sword between branches of laurel leaves, around: 25th ANNIVERSARY OF BATAAN DAY * 1942 1967 *. The hilt of the sword is positioned between the two dates. The reverse bears the seal of the Philippines and the wording: REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES * ONE PESO *. The edge is reeded.

The first partial shipment of coins from San Francisco arrived in Manila about April 4th, with the balance delivered later that month. Issuance of the coins by the bank commenced on Monday, April 10, 1967, twenty-five years to the day after the fall of Bataan.*

Wait a minute! A coin to commemorate a *lost battle*? Wasn't Bataan the largest land defeat suffered by the United States in World War II? Yes, so it would seem at first examination - but please read on.

At 7:49 AM, December 7, 1941, the quiet of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii was shattered by a surprise Japanese air assault. In less than three hours the United Pacific Fleet was devastated and the mainland of America was awakened to the fact that "We are at war."

That same day, December 8th west of the International Date Line, Japanese bombs commenced to rain upon various cities throughout the Philippine Islands. Within a few hours the bulk of the United States military aircraft stationed in the islands had been destroyed on the ground. These aerial raids were immediately followed by full-scale invasions of the Islands by the Japanese Imperial Army.

Only six years earlier, on November 15, 1935, the Philippine Islands had become a self-governing Commonwealth of the United States, with a provision that the islands would become a free nation in 1945. It was under the terms of the 1934 Congressional Act which granted provisional independence, that on July 25, 1941, the Filipino Army was placed under the command of the then-retired United States

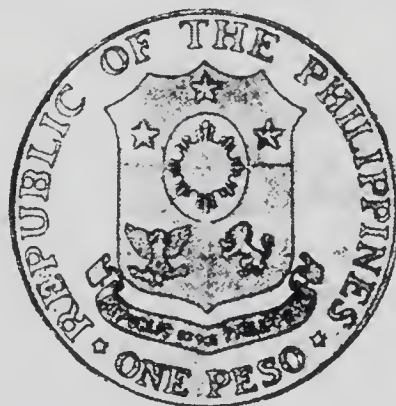
Army General Douglas Mac Arthur. Of this embryonic force of ten divisions, only the American-trained 12,000 members of the Philippine Scouts were combat ready. To repel the invasion stood a combat trained force of only 16,000 American troops and the 12,000 Scouts. the balance of MacArthur's defense force consisted of partially trained or raw Filipino recruits equipped with left-over World War One weapons; bolt-action Enfield rifles, water-cooled Browning machine guns, and French 75-millimeter cannon, but armed with a strong sense of national pride and determination.

Late in December, 1941, United States Naval vessels were forced to evacuate Manila Bay. Now the American/Philippine supply line was reduced to that occasional submarine that managed to slip through the enemy naval blockade. On January 2, 1942 the City of Manila fell, leaving General MacArthur and his 80,000 troops caught between two converging Japanese forces.

About twenty miles west of Manila, separating the Bay of Manila from the South China Sea, lies the 530 square mile Bataan Peninsula, approximately 30 miles long and averaging 15 miles in width, bound on the north by the dead volcano Mt. Natib (4,224 ft.) and to the south by another dormant volcano Mt. Bataan (4,701 ft.), with dense jungle between the two mountains.

It was to this thumb-shaped peninsula that General MacArthur concentrated his remaining force of 65,00 Filipinos and 15,000 Americans. Pursuing MacArthur was the Japanese 65th Brigade of four infantry regiments, three light and two heavy artillery battalions, one tank regiment, and a large contingent of engineers and support troops. All of this was complimented by an air group of seventy planes. The Japanese force had honed their combat skills on the battlefields of China, for Japan had been actively engaged in war with the Chinese since July of 1937.

From the very start of the "Battle of Bataan" the defenders has ample stores of ammunition. However, food and medical supplies had been short. Also, fleeing the Japanese advances were some 26,000



The 1967 Bataan Commemorative Peso

civilian refugees who had followed the army onto the peninsula. They, too, needed to be fed, resulting in MacArthur almost immediately issuing orders to "Put the troops on half-rations."

Initially both sides settled into a stalemate with Mac Arthur making continual pleas for reinforcements and receiving promises of help from Washington. Unknown to the General was that a high level decision had been secretly reached in January not to reinforce the Philippines. On February 9, the enemy commenced an all-out offensive, pushing the defenders back to their reserve positions.

On February 22, 1942, Mac Arthur received his first message from Washington to leave Bataan and proceed to Australia. He delayed, claiming that such departure would result in an immediate collapse of Philippine resistance. On March 10, President Roosevelt cabled Mac Arthur to "Proceed immediately to Melbourne." The next night Mac Arthur left for Australia accompanied by his personal staff.

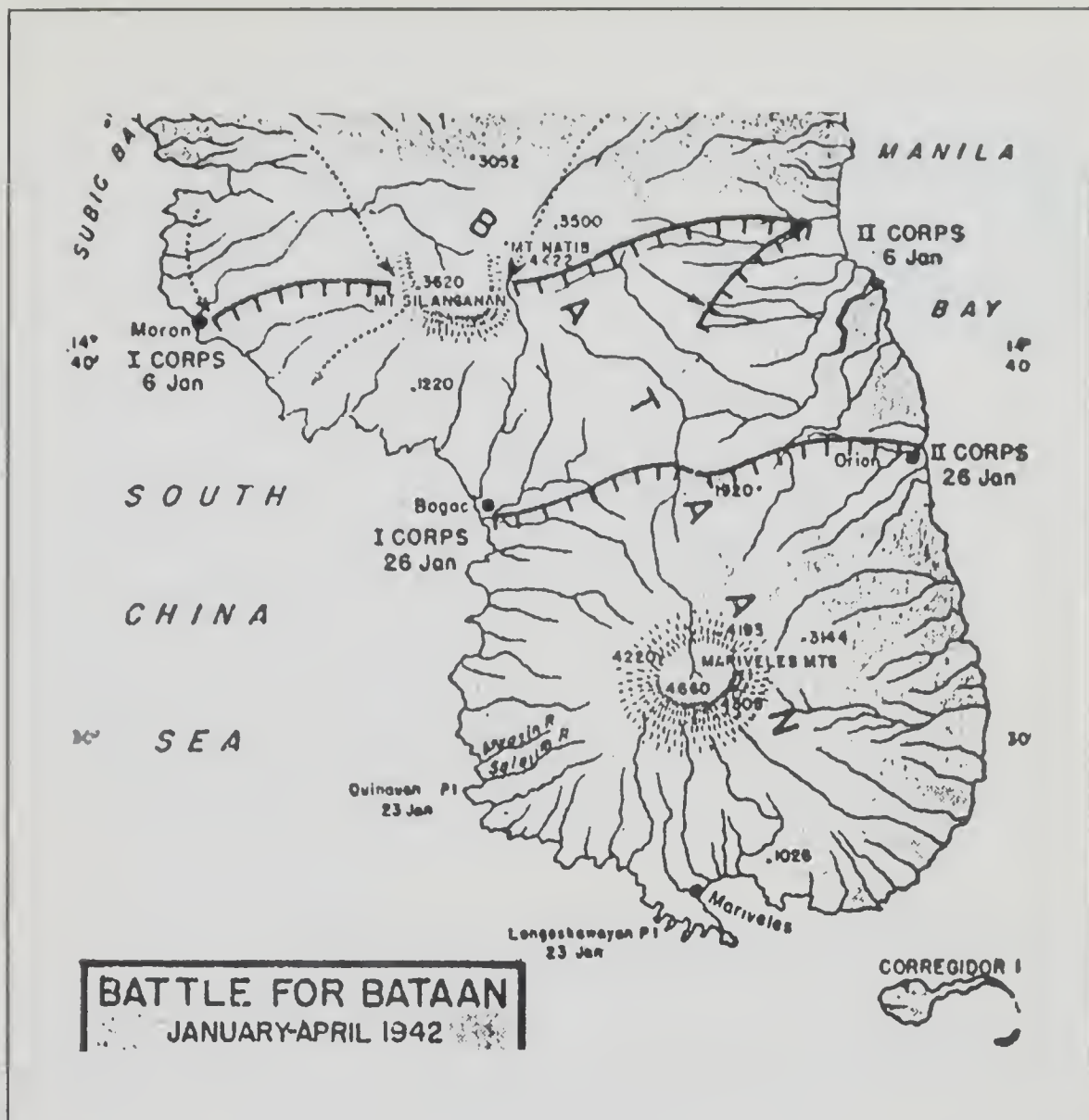
Overall command of the resistance on the peninsula and defense of the island fortress of Corregidor now passed to Major General J. M. Wainwright. The command of an army racked with malaria and dysentery, reduced to one-quarter rations, and an air force of two very battered P-40s.

In the meantime, the Japanese forces had been augmented by yet another division and a brigade. On April 5, following a five hour air and artillery bombardment, the Japanese launched an all out attack. Three days later the Filipino and American defenses were breached. On April 9, General King, immediate commander of the Bataan defenses, was forced to discuss surrender terms. The formal surrender was signed the next day.

Tragically, the surrender did not end the suffering. What followed lives in infamy as the "Bataan Death March." When the surrender was signed on April 10, 1942, some 4,000 Filipinos and 12,000 Americans became "prisoners of war." these 76,000, plus thousands of sick and starving civilian survivors were forced to march fifty-five mile, crowded into rail cars, and finally marched the last eight miles to Camp O'Donnell for internment. Enroute they were starved, beaten, kicked, bayoneted and otherwise brutally mistreated. Only 54,000 reached the camp alive.

Following the surrender of Bataan some 2,000 men escaped to the fortress of Corregidor, located on an island just off the tip of the peninsula and still in the hands of General Wainwright. On April 29 the enemy commenced an around the clock artillery and aerial bombardment. On May 5, Japanese began landing on the island. The garrison of 15,000 surrendered at noon the next day.

The surrender of Bataan and the fall of Corregidor did not end the resistance to the Japanese occupation of the Philippines. Over the next three years, hundreds of thousands of Filipino guerrillas carried on the war.



So now let us take a second look at the coin's obverse device - a burning broken sword, symbolic of defeat; and laurel leaves, symbolic of victory. At first glance the combination of elements seems contradictory, but given due consideration it proves relevant.

The Japanese High Command had given only fifty days for the complete conquest of the entire Philippine island group. However, it took five months and more than twice the number of troops originally committed for the task. For ninety-eight days on Bataan a greatly outnumbered bi-national army, suffering heavy casualties, enduring hunger and fatigue, with their life's blood bought time for the United States. The time to regroup and mobilize for the war years that lay ahead.

Out of defeat came eventual victory.

* The author recalls that on Monday April 10, 1967, the San Francisco, California, branch of the Central Bank of the Philippines sold these coins over the counter to the general public.



Through the Numismatic Glass

with Dr. Tom Fitzgerald
Contributing Editor

Since the 15th century discovery of huge amounts of silver to be mined, many sovereign nations have produced large silver coins that became the most popular, the most attractive, and the most famous coins in history. Among these are the 1780 Maria Theresia Thaler, the Crowns of the British Royalty, the Spanish Pillar Dollar, and the United States Silver Dollar. In this issue we celebrate -

the Bicentennial of the United States Silver Dollar

Our story begins on April 2, 1792 when President George Washington signed into law the bill that established our United States Mint and adopted the recommendations of Alexander Hamilton making the cent and one hundred of these cents equal to a dollar. Soon the first mint director, David Rittenhouse, hired Henry Voigt as chief coiner. With the purchase of a facility, an old distillery on 7th Street in Philadelphia, our coinage was ready to begin.

There was a need to strike silver "crown"-sized coins as soon as possible. We wanted our own dollar to replace the Spanish coin then circulating throughout the new states. But a great impediment stood in the way; an obstacle that was to delay the silver coinage for two years - Congress, wishing to protect the new nation and guarantee the security of the much-discussed striking of coinage, had stipulated that prior to the striking of coins in precious metals - silver and gold - bonds be posted for Henry Voigt, the coiner, and Albion Cox, the assayer, in the amount of \$10,000 each. This was an enormous sum in 1792. Neither Voigt nor Cox could raise this amount of money, thus only coins of copper cents and half cents could be minted in 1793, the first year the mint was capable of striking coins.

Thomas Jefferson, who as Secretary of State was placed in charge of the mint, persuaded Congress to change this requirement and on March 3, 1794, Washington signed a bill reducing the required bonds to \$5,000 for Voigt and \$1,000 for Cox.

Mint engraver Robert Scot was busy preparing design sketches which were approved (perhaps by June, 1794) and the hubs for the dollar die were readied. The obverse design bore the six-curl "flowing hair" design representing "liberty" as required by law, along with the mandatory wording "LIBERTY" and the date, 1794. The reverse showed a scrawny eagle perched on a rock, wings outstretched, all within a wreath of two branches, with 21 leaves on each branch and 19 berries total, and the mandated inscription "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". Edge lettering "HUNDRED CENTS ONE DOLLAR OR UNIT" was included in the design to prevent filing or clipping.

Copper Pattern Exists...

The first design had no stars on the obverse. Fifteen Stars were later added to the obverse to signify the number of states then in the union. At least one copper pattern of the star-less design was struck. This single known specimen now reposes in the collection of the Smithsonian Institution.

By October 15, 1794, all was in readiness and the press began to stamp out our first silver dollars. On that day Chief Coiner Voigt delivered 1,758 silver dollars dated 1794 to the mint treasurer. According to mint records, every one of these 1,758 coins were paid over to David Rittenhouse either as part of his salary or because he supplied Voigt's bond and possibly some of the silver. Rittenhouse, as evidenced by the remaining coins, made every effort to place them into circulation. Strangely, here ended the production of silver dollars in 1794. Although many more planchets had been prepared and were ready for minting, the striking was halted and the supply of silver discs were placed into storage.



Copper Pattern of the 1794 United States Silver Dollar

There was a major problem with the striking of the 1794 silver dollars. There was no press large enough in the mint to successfully strike these large coins. The first batch of coins had been struck on a press designed to strike coins no larger than a half dollar. Thus all of these coins were struck on weakly on one set of dies. There are several die states in existence indicating that the striking process was halted at times, perhaps to remove the dies for adjustment and resurfacing. Of the 1,758 coins struck on that day only about 120 to 130 still exist.

Illegal alloy was kept a secret...

Neither President Washington, not Secretary of State Jefferson knew of the illegal composition of these 1794 dollars. Unknown to all but Mint Director Rittenhouse and Assayer Cox was the fact that these new dollars contained 90% silver and 10% copper. this was in direct violation of the law. the April 2 Mint Act of 1792 specified that these coins be composed of an alloy of 89.24% silver and the remainder copper. Cox believed that a 90% fine silver coin would be much easier to refine and argued to Rittenhouse that the .8942 fineness would soon blacken in daily use. Rittenhouse acquiesced. Both agreed to retain the mandated weight of 416 grains, but with each coin having 374.4 grains of silver instead of the specified 371.25 grains. The result of this change was that the coins contained just a bit too much silver. Even further, an additional consequence of this secret decision was that it altered the ration of silver to gold, without authority, from 15-1 to 15.3-1. Without any governmental approval, Rittenhouse and Cox had changed the nation's gold standard. It must be pointed out that this change resulted in the coins bearing more, not less, silver than mandated thus the coinage was not debased, a felony that could result in the death penalty for the perpetrator.

David Bowers in his recent (1991) gigantic encyclopedia on Silver Dollars estimates that a VG 1794 dollar will sell for \$10,000. One in Fine condition should be worth about \$15,000 while an uncirculated specimen should command about \$150,000.

A Most Romantic & Popular Coin...

There is probably no other U.S. coin that has been as thoroughly studied, as avidly collected or as well known to numismatists and the general public alike as the fabled silver dollar. The coin is seen as a symbol of the financial strength of this nation and all it represents. In fact, even though the Eisenhower and Susan B. Anthony dollars minted for circulation contained no silver, they still are called silver dollars. It seems that when one refers to a coin of the dollar denomination the word "dollar" cannot be utilized without the adjective "silver".

Silver dollars form one of the most interesting chapters in American coinage history. Numerous designs and varieties, rarities, mysteries, controversies, hoards, and other aspects have been the subject of

books, mystery novels, lectures, studies, speculation and debate since early in the 19th century.

The 1804 dollar is certainly the "king" of silver dollars. It is a fact that there are far more 1804 silver dollars than there are 1804 proof gold eagles. Why is the 1804 silver dollar so much more valuable?

One cannot study these crown-sized silver coins without a discussion of the 1836 Gobrecht Flying Eagle variety - pattern or circulating coin? What part did the Bland-Allison Act, the Comstock silver lode, cities like Virginia City and Carson City in Nevada, and Leadville, Cripple Creek and Victor in Colorado play in our history? Why did the United States establish a mint in Carson City?

The 1794 United States Silver Dollar



The 1963 Guidebook to United States Coins, commonly called the Red Book, listed the 1903-O Morgan silver dollar in uncirculated condition for \$1,500, outranking the 1893-S and the 1895 Proof specimens. One year later the 1964 Red Book valued the 1903-O at only \$30 in uncirculated condition. What happened? Of course it was the discovery of great numbers of bags of silver dollars found in the treasury vaults, many bearing the CC mint mark. This led to the famous G.S.A. sales. Remember them? Then there was the fabled Redfield Hoard of over 400,000 silver dollars stored in bags in a cellar near Reno, Nevada. Are there 1964 -dated Peace dollars in existence in some collections today?

When this writer came to California from Ohio in the early 1950's and made a trip to Las Vegas, visitors were encouraged to take some of those large, heavy "cartwheels" home with them. Most didn't want them, and much like a visitor in a foreign land tries to "get rid" of his or her foreign coins before departure, folks tried to get rid of those darn silver dollars before they departed Las Vegas. Can you imagine that?

Truly the silver dollars are America's most remarkable and most romantic coins! It all began on October 15, 1794, just over 200 years ago.



1946 IOWA STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLAR



Part 21

Corrections and Clarifications, Part 2 of 2

By Michael S. Turrini,

This twenty-first installment in the saga is dedicated to Jeffery R. Morin, Senior at Will C. Wood High School, Vacaville California. Although Jeff and this author have worked together only during Jeff's Senior year on the school's yearbook, Cat-Tracks, during this brief tenure, Jeff has renewed, refreshed, and revived this author's zest and zeal for teaching. Jeff turns 18 in April and graduates in June. Good Luck Always, Jeff -- Mr. Turrini

As this series advances into its twenty-first article and carry-ing on the immediate prior twentieth article's intention of corrections and clarifications, a few more facts and faces in the saga of the 1946 Iowa Statehood Centennial Commemorative Half Dollar require reexamination and revision.⁽¹⁾

This author's aim is to validate that all that has been published is accurate. In the light of the prolific research accomplished in the Summer of 1993 at the State Historical Society of Iowa, Des Moines, and revisited study of the often cited Ralph Evans (1896-1973) files at the University of Iowa, plus knowledge from other sources, this becomes compulsory and advantageous.⁽²⁾

Not to be overlooked by readers, both new and long-time, is that research has been initiated while this series has been in progress. Often through the years - this series commenced in July 1989⁽³⁾ - something new or contradictory has come to the author's attention, or to others contributing, usually after some aspect has been published and proclaimed gospel. This, however is the nature of any academic or scholarly study. Take the "Titanic" sinking and legend. Up until 1985, all that we knew was from the ever decreasing number of survivors. Then the impossible happened - the old wreck of this unsinkable vessel was located two miles deep down in the cold Atlantic Ocean. Our knowledge and our understanding of the sea's great dramatic tragedy changed.⁽⁴⁾ The same analogy might be inferred to this series. Since the publication of the first article in June 1990 the author has met Larry Adams of Boone, Iowa, whose assistance and input radically

altered the size and scope of the then embryonic research. Thus, with this understanding, one could explain - and in part, defend, this series' protraction.

Now getting to this article's objectives - the propositions are: first, biographical background of a few individuals previously mentioned briefly, and second; analysis of publicity and promotion with emphasis for collectors within Iowa.

First, in the 18th article (Calcoin News Summer '94) three individuals were attributed: M.H. Bolender, Herbert E. Rowald, and Larry Knight, all contemporary coin hobbyists of the 1940's. It was sustained that all three exchanged less than flattering correspondences with the Iowa Centennial Committee and its executive Secretary Edith Wasson McElroy (1887-1975). Readers are invited to review that article and scrutiny is directed to M.H. Bolender's two letters duplicated there as figures 3 & 4.⁽⁵⁾

Some readers might know of Bolender by his writings, and the author did appeal for information on the other two. Thanks to the American Numismatic Association Library Staff, the following biographical information was acquired via *The Numismatist* and the ANA membership records. ⁽⁶⁾

Milfred Henry Bolender (1894-1977) was, in his day, one of our nation's notable coin dealers and writers. Born in Illinois, he relocated to Southern California in 1952. His letters identified his business and residence in the mid-40's as Freeport, Illinois. An educator by profession, Mr. Bolender was to achieve and guarantee his numismatic reputation and legacy with his magnum opus *The United States Silver Dollars from 1794-1803*, published in 1950. "He had examined some 5,000 dollars of these dates over several decades before undertaking publication of his work in 1950," quotes his obituary in *The Numismatist* of January 1978.⁽⁷⁾ An active mail order coin dealer, he remained in business to about 1960. Often addressed simply as M.H., his distinguished precedence was founded on his forty years as a coin dealer and his aforementioned book.⁽⁸⁾

Herbert Edward Rowald, American Numismatic Association #4432, may have been not as well known as "M.H." but his critical and contentious letter of February 14, 1947, which was analogous of other, was acknowledged in the eighteenth article. Mr. Rowald (1898-1955) worked as a shoe salesman and specialized in pattern and commemorative coins, the latter accounting for the correspondence to the Iowa Centennial Committee. A founder of the Heart of America Numismatic Association (Missouri) in 1934, he was born in Wisconsin but lived most of his adult life in Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Rowald listed himself as an 'American Numismatic Association District Delegate.' What this title or position entailed is unclear.⁽⁹⁾

Of the three gentlemen whose correspondences we investigated in the aforementioned 18th article, all being or claiming to be coin dealers, the least known is Larry Knight of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

All that was learned even after contacting older coin hobbyists in the Contra Costa County, California, area, was that Mr. Knight had two addresses in that county, Pittsburgh and Walnut Creek, and held ANA membership #13522. His membership terminated in 1978.

The author would delight in learning more of him, of anyone who did purchase and Iowa Half Dollar from (or communicated with) the Centennial Committee.

Now, why all this concern with these, and others, almost all long deceased? In their day, these gentlemen were among the leading coin hobbyists whose influence and impact were manifest, and when individuals of their caliber wrote two and three page, single-spaced, typed letters itemizing differences, disgust, and disinterest, their opinions cannot be dumped into the trash of history, but deserve examination.⁽¹⁰⁾ The story - the "saga" - warrants completeness of all extremes and between.

Second, now to the matter of publicity. The matter of publicity must be divided into two categories: intra-state and out-of-state. The question for both categories is simple enough and, putting it in the perspectives of 1946 and 1947 and the Iowa Centennial Committee: how does the Committee advertise the Half Dollar and its sales? What media can it most rely on? Coupled with this was the paramount necessity that the detailed and specific procedures be precisely publicized.⁽¹¹⁾

Pausing and putting perspective from our viewpoint to this day, to us now, here in the 1990's, television, radio and magazines and also the great metropolitan newspapers - the mass media-- and the two competing numismatic weeklies, *Coin World* and *Numismatic News*, as well as the much increased circulation of the *Numismatist* plus several other national monthly magazines - *Coins*, *CoinAge*, etc. - are all in place. But - and this is a big 'but' - not all these existed in the mid-1940's. Television was in its infancy. Radio still reigned in its Golden Age, and the newspapers ruled supreme in cities and towns. Yet, the rest, no.⁽¹²⁾

Today if a new commemorative coin is authorized and minted, the two national numismatic weeklies report it on their front page and the United States Mint mass mails it to its millions of subscribers. The Iowa Centennial Committee had none of the aforesaid. All it had were two paid employees toiling out of borrowed crowded space in Iowa's State Capitol Building basement.⁽¹³⁾

Edith Wasson's highly praiseworthy and biased final report⁽¹⁴⁾ itemized a roster of periodicals that promulgated the Centennial, but nowhere is anything associated for the Half Dollar. Mrs. McElroy

professed that "national magazines were supplied with script, pictures, and background material"⁽¹⁵⁾: yet only the Hewitt Brothers' Numismatic Scrapbook magazine is indexed as having anything related to the Half Dollar. However, as was published in the 12th article of this series (PCNS Journal, 7/92), the reaction was not desirable nor readily accepted by the Committee as to the Hewitt Brothers' coverage. Remember, in 1946-47, only *Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine* and *The Numismatist* existed for the coin hobbyist.

The chief stress in publicity, as might be expected then, would be within Iowa. Even in her final report, Mrs. McElroy admits "more could have been done in the national field."⁽¹⁶⁾

The Committee - in reality Mrs. McElroy alone - distributed a Weekly Bulletin, "1,800 four-page single-spaced mimeographed pages were mailed each week going to every community in the state."⁽¹⁷⁾ Bulletin #23 of December 14, 1946, was the most expressive because it recapped the strict and stern procedures of distribution and sales. This allowed a double-header effect: not only did all the banks (over 650) receive identical material from the Iowa Bankers association, with this Bulletin #23, each community and countless other personalities and identities got the same.

The large number, 1800, can easily be totaled from the number of counties (99), communities (hundreds), local committees, Chambers of Commerce, state organizations, countless small-town newspapers, and also not to be forgotten numerous individuals.

So, were these massive mailings published by Iowa's newspapers? Obviously, yes. But until 1993, only one example of a published release came to the attention of this author. It was mentioned in the 11th article of this series (PCNS Journal, 4/92): an article in the Estherville Daily News of Emmet County, Iowa.

During his two-week tour of Iowa in July and August 1993, this author made a special effort to visit small town newspapers to determine what publicity had been printed and when.⁽¹⁸⁾ Two attractive edifying examples would be one from the front page of the Oakland Acorn, of Oakland Iowa, and another from a newspaper in Guthrie Center. Regrettably, the author failed to cite properly this latter newspaper; at that time Guthrie, although small, had two daily newspapers.

Now, what does this prove? First and foremost, it corroborates the good fortune that the Committee attained in promotion. The Half Dollar was front-page news. The sales numbers to Iowans verify this judgment, because slightly under 90,000 Half Dollars were sold within Iowa.⁽¹⁹⁾ Why is this significant? It substantiates that the Iowa Centennial Committee was mainly concerned with Iowans, which could be justified from their viewpoint, and only casually concerned with out-of -staters - meaning coin hobbyists. To quote the Committee's

own Weekly Bulletin, "It is the belief of the Governor (Robert D. Blue, 1898-1989), the Iowa Centennial Committee, and the Treasurer of State (John M. Grimes, 1878-1971) that Iowa people living in Iowa should have first access to the purchase of these coins. All persons living outside Iowa shall thereafter be given the opportunity to purchase some."⁽²⁰⁾ Note the word 'outside', and the grim restriction "Iowa people living in Iowa." With this perception in mind, it is provocative to reread the cited Weekly Bulletin to discover that Mrs. McElroy, a non-numismatist, must have done some hasty study in numismatics:

"This is the first commemorative to be minted since 1939. The United States Treasury is opposed to such coinage and that Iowa secured it is due to the ability of our Iowa Congressional delegation. 100,000 coins is not many as ordinary coin issues are counted. Coins are usually minted in the millions. Special coinages, however, such as the Iowa Commemorative are often coined in limited numbers and become, for that reason, collectors items. Beginning with the Columbian Half Dollar, a very large and popular issue, this is the 109th commemorative half. The climax was reached in 1930 (sic) when there were 24 commemorative issues which led to the government edict of no more such coins. It is, say coin collectors, quite possible this will be the last such commemorative, which adds luster to its ownership."⁽²¹⁾

Note her choice of words and how prophetic these were: "will be the last," and "adds luster to its ownership." These were written by a non-coin hobbyist who responded to all those "gripping" coin dealers. Her words remind us of our own contemporary mail order solicitations.

Not to belate the matter of publicity, there remains the question of how did non-Iowans, again meaning coin hobbyists and everyone else outside Iowa, learn about this issue? Remember what this author just wrote above comparing our 1990's with the 1940's. Without our taken-for-granted mass media and national numismatic print media, on file still today in the treasured archives of the State Historical Society of Iowa are hundreds of inquiries from such diverse locations as Alaska, military hospitals, the Panama Canal Zone, and even Benecia, California.⁽²²⁾ Answering this matter is beyond the scope of this current article.

Getting back to Iowa, the Half Dollar and the accompanying postage stamp, Scotts #942, were statewide news. And buried for nearly five decades in the archives until 1993, was an alternate design for the Iowa Half Dollar - submitted and sadly forgotten.

Footnotes

1. The author wishes to clarify & correct some aspects before allowing the series to resume or end. For convenience, footnotes have been limited to direct quotations and major points.
2. Accuracy. So much has been written that errors and omission are probable. this is repugnant to this author.
3. PCNS Journal, July 1989, #20, David Cieniewicz, Editor.
4. The author is a 'Titanic' enthusiast, which explains this analogy.
5. M. H. Bolender, letters of January 6, 1947 and February 14, 1947. Mr. Bolender's letters are highly critical, featuring words such as 'disgusted', 'evaded', and 'accuse'.
6. Appreciation is expressed to Lynn Chen, ANA Librarian
7. The Numismatist, January 1978, 'In Remembrance' (obituary), page 72.
8. Among this author's numerous acquaintances is Horace Moore of Lakeport, CA who has some of the early silver dollars originally studied and photographed by M. H. Bolender.
9. Any input from other coin hobbyists would be welcomed.
10. A review of earlier editions of the Red Book will list both M.H. Bolender and Herbert Rowald as contributors.
11. Rereading the prior mini-series 'Collectors, Too, Buy the Coin' will demonstrate the Byzantine procedures and fanatical obsession for control and adherence.
12. Only The Numismatist and Hewitt Brothers' Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine.
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15. Report, page 7
16. Ibid., page 8.
17. Ibid., page 6
18. Several still retained in dusty bound volumes, and all were most cooperative with this author's inquiries.
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THIS IS NEW...

While working at the front desk for the San Jose Coin Show, I met CHRIS YONAN from Modesto who is the assistant editor of "The Gold Strike", the bulletin for the STANISLAUS COUNTY COIN CLUB (SCCC). They meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 1325 Angie Avenue, Modesto, at 7:00 P.M. SHARP! The 2 newsletters that Chris sent were very well done, informative and interesting. There were articles on Lumber Tokens and Indian Peace Medals that were reprinted from ANA's "Money Talks" and an announcement that the current & past years' SCCC medals are available at bargain prices.

President of SCCC is DOUG DANIELS with ROGER ELSBERRY, Vice President and HAL DeBOARD, Treasurer.

AND ANOTHER...

I received one newsletter from the NAPA VALLEY COIN CLUB which meets at the American Legion Hall, 1240 Pearl Street in Napa. Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month, with the Board meeting starting at 7 P.M. and the Regular meeting at 7:30 P.M. Elections will be held at the March meeting and results will be known with the arrival of the next newsletter. Their 31st Annual Napa Valley Coin Show will be held March 19th.

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN...

The NORTHERN CALIFORNIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION (NCNA) has opened nominations for the first ever RON MILLER AWARD. Any NCNA member may submit a nomination from whichas many not more than 2 people may receive the award in 1995. Criteria for receiving this award shall be: superior, sustained, and significant support and service to numismatics and the coin hobby and/or devotion and dedication, consistent and meritorious, to numismatic organizations.

President FRED VAN DEN HAAK is beginning his second term of office and will be ably assisted by Vice-President GORDON DONNELL, Secretary MICHAEL TURRINI, and Treasurer MICHAEL NEICOFF. A recently passed amendment dictates a 2 year term of office and no elections until the end of 1996 which establishes a strong foundation and stability for NCNA.

WAS IT A RERUN???

The SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB heard ED FULWIDER talk and show slides of the San Francisco Mint where Ed was the Chief Die Sinker for many years before his recent retirement. Ed claimed that this was a rerun of an earlier speech but it was so interesting and spell binding that several longtime members 'swore' that it was brand new! The Annual White Elephant fund raiser was held in January. In February, HANS HANSSEN spoke on "Paper Money".

LEARNING YOUR P'S AND Q'S...

The SAN JOSE COIN CLUB had a successful 27th Annual Coin Show in January and attracted many outstanding exhibits from its members and members of CSNA who also held their Semi-Annual Convention in conjunction with the SJCC show. Winning both the San Jose's Charles Kappen Best of Show Award and the CSNA's Al Baber Award was AL LO for his "Coins of Hawaii" exhibit. First Awards were won by GARY ACQUISTAPACE (Nevada Gaming Tokens) and CHRIS ROGERS (Water Marks). KEN BARR (Love Token Jewelry) and BRITTA EHLERS (Depression Money of Washington and Oregon) took Second Awards and a Third Award was won by Bill Grant (Apollo 11).

VINCE LACARIERE started the New Year by speaking on "Coin Show Etiquette", from the dealers' perspective as the proprietor of the Fremont Coin Gallery. Many helpful tips were given for negotiation with the coin dealer to achieve a mutually agreeable price without offending either party. ED SINS the a speaker in November who described the minting problems of early coinage in his talk on "Early U.S. Coins"

GOD MAY NOT BE A FEMALE, BUT...

In what must be an historic first, the GATEWAY COIN CLUB of Merced has four women as officers. Elected to new 2 year terms were Vice-President BELINDA WILSON and Treasurer LONA SANCIBRIAN, who joined incumbent President LILA ANDERSON and incumbent Secretary BEVERLY HILLS. The end of 1994 showed a membership of 115, a 50% increase over the previous year. That's FANTASTIC at a time when coin club memberships overall have been declining!! LILA and her officers MUST be doing something RIGHT!

An interesting breakdown of the 1994 membership demographics showed 69% male and 31% female. Fourteen husband-wife team members totaled 1/4 of the membership and 30% of the members are related with grandparents, parents, sons, daughters, grandchildren, uncles attending meetings. Ages range from grade school to senior citizens; 12 are Junior members (under 16). Thirty-two percent of the members attend meeting faithfully. President Lila says "We are a family oriented club," and the facts show it.

HERE ARE THE WINNERS!!!

Almost 100 members and guests of the SACRAMENTO VALLEY COIN CLUB (SVCC) attended the 1995 Annual Installation Dinner to see the swearing in of the new 1995 officers: BOB BANDY, President; DAVID HERR, Vice-President; BETTYE WEBB, Recording Secretary; PATTI BANDY, Corresponding Secretary; and BILL McCASLIN, Treasurer. Winning SVCC 35th Anniversary bronze medals for their outstanding educational programs in 1994 were STEWART HUCKABY (Coin Quiz II), BOB BANDY (Building a Numismatic Library), BUD BRAKOWIECKI (Types of new Commemorative Half Dollars).

More winners - CHARLES BLIM (Tokens of the Gay Nineties), KEN BARR (Numismatic Potpourri), BOB DE CESARIS (History of Colonial paper Money), and ROGER WALTERS (An Overview of the ANA Summer Seminar).

Silver SVCC 35th Anniversary Medals were awarded to the prolific writers of the SVCC for their great articles during the last five years. Multiple articles (and medals received) were penned by MERLE COOVER (5), BOB BANDY (3), JEFF SHEVELIN (2), BOB DE CESARIS (3), and MICHAEL LEWIS.

Winning Best of Show honors at the Fall Coin-a-rama was TERRY WOODWARD for his display "Non-Coin Mintage of the Philadelphia Mint in 1904". CHUCK WHITE took First Place for "Olympic Coinage of the Franklin Mint".

GOOD-BYE AL, HELLO KEN...

After 14 years as the CUPERTINO COIN CLUB's Coin Press Editor, AL LO has passed the baton to KEN BARR who has accepted the challenge and will be the new Coin Press Editor starting in January. AL began writing the Coin Press in January 1981 - in the days when, without a computer, the newsletter had to be hand written by him and then typed by his wife. He said, "Now with computers, it STILL is a challenging job but also a fun and rewarding job to record the history of the Cupertino Coin Club".

Due to several major problems, the Cupertino Coin Club's 25th Annual Coin Show has been changed from it's long standing "last weekend in February" until June 24-25, 1995 and it is to be held at a new location, the MASONIC TEMPLE, 2500 Masonic Drive, San Jose. It is still easy to get to and there is plenty of free parking. Also being it's in June, there is no fear of the weather being rainy and windy.

Recent entertaining and informative guest speakers have been RICH NEDVED who in November spoke on "Barber Coins" and AL LO who talked about the "ARRC Tokens" of Matanuska Valley, Alaska in January.

NOW, THIS IS WHAT YOU MUST DO!!

The PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY's discussion of Coin Management reached a consensus which we should all heed: 1) keep your collectibles in an understandable order, computerizing the listing if possible, 2) develop a strategy for storage; flips, albums, etc. which protect as well as allow reasonable display, 3) check your material frequently in order to note and perhaps prevent problems such as moisture corrosion or chemical damage, 4) use excellent storage materials because once damage has occurred, the coins tokens, etc. become worthless as collectibles for later sale or trade.

New 1995 officers elected in December were: President STEVEN M. HUSTON, Secretary HERB MILES, and Treasurer RICK WEBSTER. January's meeting was very interesting as members shared the best coin or deal they ever made (the Good), the worst mistake ever (the Bad), and the weirdest numismatic item they have (the Ugly).

NOW WE'RE HAVING FUN...

MIKE SULAK presented an ANA slide show on "Dating Systems of Coins" at the LIBERTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY meeting and those assembled not only learned about how dates have been represented on many coins around the world, they also laughed quite a bit as it was fun! Also so much fun was experienced by last year's officers that they re-enlisted.

IS IT OVER NOW???

This year the SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB will reach the final year of its Second World War Fiftieth Anniversary Silver Round Series. Newly installed President MICHAEL TURRINI has declared March 9th as his club's 'D-Day' or Decision-Day to decide the conclusion of the medal or medals for this project. Other newly installed officers are Vice-President JOE SIROIS, Treasurer In an uncontested race, President MIKE SULAK, Vice President NEVIO ANDRETTA, Treasurer MARIAN SINTON, and Secretary REGAN SHEA were re-elected for another year. CRAIG BLACKWOOD, and Secretary JAN HENKE.

WHERE'S THAT '31-S...?

A test of agility, reaction time, and eyesight was given at the LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN CLUB. A bunch of "wheaties" were dumped on a table, thumb-buster (Whitman) coin albums were passed out, and teams were chosen. "How many holes can you fill in a given time period?" At the word GO, it was a mad scramble to see how many holes were filled with the "correct" wheatie! Another fun activity has been the annual "slab toss" where real slabbed coins are tossed at a target on the floor. Winner got a nice (unslabbed) dollar.

SANTA WAS GENEROUS...

The ALAMEDA COIN CLUB held its Christmas Party and elections at the same time and Santa brought presents to the following members: the President's gavel to GORDON DONNELL, Vice-President's hat for MICHAEL TURRINI, a money bag for Treasurer MIKE NEICOFF, and a sharp pencil for Secretary DON BARS. The club has voted to have more social activities and will schedule a club social every 3 months starting with a Pizza Night in March. KEN BARR was a serious speaker in January with a talk titled, "Numismatics".

LLOYD'S HIS BIGGEST FAN...

If you are 7 years old, would you be surprised to receive a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States? SURE! And GARTH CLIFTON of the FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY did receive such a letter.

"I am pleased to have the opportunity to congratulate you on your winning design in the Fresno Numismatic Society's Design-a-Dollar contest. I am impressed by the creativity and skill of someone so young. After seeing your design, I wish that we had known about your talents earlier so that we could have consulted you on that project! Again, congratulations and good luck. You are a young man with a very bright future." wrote LLOYD BENTSEN.

Garth's success was also heralded on Page One of Coin World.

In December, RUTH PHILIPS, DALE HEWLETT, and MERLE DAVIS were recognized as the longest serving and most involved members of the club and were honored with specially engraved plaques from the FNS. Congratulations to you three!

WE'RE NOT OVER THE HILL...

The REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB enjoyed the great talk and display DAVID LANGE on the Buffalo Nickel. This was a treat because he told about much interesting coin history. Another speaker was MICHAEL TURRINI who spoke of the United States presidents and gave many little known facts about them.

Like so many other coin clubs, Youth Leader LEE GONG laments the difficulty of keeping younger members interested in numismatics. After having great attendance and interest for many months, attendance has fallen and only 4 members returned responses for his recent questionnaire. Newly elected President MERLE AVILA however is optimistic about the future of the club as he wrote in the January newsletter, "I believe our club is heading up the mountain, rather than being over the hill as you read about many clubs in the coin world getting smaller or folding altogether. It is a hard pull going up with the strength coming from so few, and I am hoping to bring more enthusiastic members to our club, bringing us up that hill to a place not seen in many years!!"

IT'S A SELLOUT...

The PENINSULA COIN CLUB's 1994 show medal showing an old style two wheeler bicycle has been a sellout. Now the club needs some to fill mail order requests and has asked members for donations to fill these orders. Special recognition was given to JOE & JOE JR. JURADO, DICK SMITH, MARK GEALY, and RICHARD SHUSTERMAN for their dedicated service throughout the day at its 1994 Coin Show. An annual fund raiser has been the auctioning of two sets of low mintage (4) off-metal medals. This year's sets of lead, aluminum, bright copper, and antique bronze brought spirited bidding, two happy new owners, and added \$115 to the treasury.

KEEP ON TRUCKIN' NORM!!!

Incoming 1995 officers for the DELTA COIN CLUB are President KEVIN MALOY, Vice-President SHARON CARMAN, Recording Secretary ED CARMAN, Corresponding Secretary SYD KASS, and Treasurer LORIS ENZMINGER. Outgoing President DON KENDRICK was awarded a nice plaque for his four terms as president at the annual dinner in January that was attended by nearly 80 members and guests.

Also attending the dinner was NORM PRUITT, the founder of the Delta Coin club. As reported in the December newsletter, the Delta Coin Club was founded by Norm on January 23, 1956 at a meeting attended by 30 interested numismatists. As part of the club's history trivia, which has been provided by Michael Turrini and his Calcoin News collection, we learn that the 1958 coin show bourse fee was \$2.00 followed by a BIG increase in 1959 to \$3.00! WOW 50%!!

THANKS VINCE!

Newly installed leaders of the FREMONT COIN CLUB are IRIS ATKINSON, President; ANTHONY BETTENCOURT, First Vice-President; ADRIANNA BOURG, Second Vice-President; KEVIN SHILLING, Treasurer; STEVEN BOURG, Recording Secretary; and BO ATKINSON, Corresponding Secretary. Outgoing President VINCE LACARIERE was presented a plaque and thanked for his dedicated service for the past 2 years.

LOUIS COULDN'T BE THERE BECAUSE...

The FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB has a wide-spread membership causing many members to miss meetings. Editor JAN HENKE listed some reasons: Felice Koblos lives in Oregon). Frances McDowell lives in Idaho, Dennis Lotspeich hasn't been to a meeting all year - perhaps living in Rancho Palos Verdes is a good enough excuse. Louis Kretoivics has yet to attend (I guess travelling from Lorain, Ohio, for 2 hour meeting is asking too much).

and Chuck Luce hardly ever shows up (but it's a straight shot from San Diego to Fairfield). However, seventy members and guests attended and enjoyed the 8th Annual Joint Dinner Meeting of the Fairfield Coin Club and Vallejo Numismatic Society in December.

The Sixth Annual Fairfield Coin and Collectibles Show will move to the New Home of the Suisun Recreation Center in the WestAmerica Building, corner of Sunset and Merganser, Suisun City (did an attorney name this town? It's pronounced 'Sue-soon') and will be held on September 10, 1995.

RAILROADING BOOKS???

MICHAEL 'STAN' TURRINI will continue for another term as President of the DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. Aiding Stan will be JOHN RUSSELL, Vice-President; MIKE STANLEY, Secretary; and BILL HEWITT, Treasurer. Outgoing Vice-President KARL MANTHEI - now retired from 'Pigs, Goats, and Elephants' (PG&E) - was presented a plaque in recognition of his many years of devotion and service to the Society. President Turrini was also presented 2 model railroading books (not coin?) for his dedication and leadership the past two years. Stan has also been a speaker on 2 occasions, speaking on 'Collecting Old Stock Certificates' and 'Eisenhower: The Man and the Dollar'.

SOUTH OF THE TEHACHAPIS



by Harold Katzman, Assistant Editor

SPECIAL RECOGNITION...

The BAY CITIES COIN CLUB, "The Friendly Club", began the year with President GEORGE RUSSELL recognizing those members who insure that all the details of running a coin club get done. Without those key individuals, the club would not be the warm and "Friendly" club it has become. Special recognition went to: MAX WEDERTZ, refreshment "chairman"; JIM BETON, bulletin editor; PHIL IVERSEN, who finds great programs and keeps the treasury intact; and AUBREY AUSTIN of the Santa Monica Bank who provides additional funds above the dues (yes, legally) to keep the fund going.

NEW OFFICERS, NEW EDITOR...

Officers were installed at COVINA COIN CLUB'S December meeting. KEITH FOULGER is President; LLOYD NIESLY, V.P.; MARIE MENEGATTI, Secretary; GENE CALVERT, Treasurer. Board members are TOM FITZGERALD, MARLIN LEHNERT, LOUIS SCHWARTS, LEO LABAN, DON FOSTER, JOHN McANINCH, and ETHEL LEHNERT. In honor of the club's 37 years, 37 door prizes were given in December.

1995 started with ETHEL LENHERT stepping in as the new bulletin editor. AWANDA AYERS resigned due to ill health. DEAN GILES of Valinda, CA gave January's program "Portraits in Bronze." DON COLLINS received a plaque in recognition of his ten years on the Board. KEITH FOULGER, the present president, presented the Past President's plaque to ETHEL LENHERT.

LLOYD BEAUCHAINE presented a slide show entitled "The Lore of Copper Coin Collecting", in February.

THE LONGEST PROGRAM TITLE ...

The December meeting of the CULVER CITY COIN CLUB had PAUL BORACK conducting COINO. A potluck dinner was held to celebrate the holiday season. Officers installed at the January meeting, held at Szechwan Restaurant, are: JOHN FORREY, President; DAVID YANTUS, V.P.; PAUL BORACK, Secretary; WALTER OSTROMECKI, Treasurer. Board members are ZEVE ACKERLING, MARYLIN AKERLING, FRANK KISH, HARRY and RISELA STASNEY, and LOU BROCK. ROY IWATA gave the February program on "Counterfeit Detection; Diagnostics of Key Year Dates on Indian and Lincoln Cents, Buffalo and Jefferson Nickels, and Mercury Dimes. Roy showed detailed slides on how to check for counterfeit coins.

COINO GETS AROUND ...

PAUL BORACK was back with COINO in December with the DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS. LYNDIA RICHARD gave the January program. JEAN ELLIS has been out of commission since hip surgery in November. The club is urging a speedy recovery.

FUN IN FONTANA ...

FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS feasted on pot luck at their holiday dinner in December, after which they held a buy-sell-trade session. Members swapped want lists and bargained among themselves. Members voted KAY LENKER the winner of the NONA MOORE Display Trophy for the best exhibit. AL HALL gave the program for the January meeting - "Ben Franklin-He Got Around." LARRY BURGESS brought in a program on Abe Lincoln in February.

"COUNTERFEIT COINS" GOES ON TOUR ...

GARDEN GROVE COIN CLUB members shared their "Favorite Coin" in December. ROY IWATA brought "Counterfeit Coin Detection" to town in January, and "Susan B. Anthony" was the subject of DIANA BAKER'S program in February.

AT THE HIDEAWAY ...

HEMET NUMISMATISTS met at the Hideaway Restaurant in December to install officers: CLIFFORD J. PARR is the Pres.; GUY MILLS, Jr, is VP; CHUCK HOFFMAN and DORIS PETERSON are Treasurers; and TRUDY MITCHELL is Secretary. The club said farewell to long-time member TERRI HALL who's heading for the High Desert. The Dollar Coin vs the Dollar Bill was the debate at the January meeting. A vote showed 14 in favor of the coin, with 7 for the bill. "Coin & Currency of Early America", an ANA slide show, was the February fare. Congratulations to member GEORGE MANTOURIS on his recent wedding to MILDRED TAYLOR - and to her on her wedding to him, as well.

A KOSHER CHRISTMAS TREE?

The Israel Numismatic Society of Los Angeles combined Hanukkah and Christmas festivities at its December meeting. DAVID GURSKY brought an impressively decorated Menorah. MARY YAHALOM brought a Christmas Tree decorated with dollar bills, topped with a Hanukkah Lamp commemorative coin. GERRY ROSS traveled south from Sacramento for the party, and won the tree in the raffle. After dinner - PAUL BORAK & COINO.

Paper Money of Israel was the January topic. "Jewish Medals of Interest", a film by STANLEY YULISH was the program in February.

PROGRAM FROM DOWN UNDER...

Eleven members of LITTON COIN CLUB met at the Plum Tree for the December holiday party and a gift exchange. In January LARRY POLLASTRINE talked about his trip 'down under' to New Zealand. They have coins there, too, he says. For February the club viewed the first part of the two-part video "Grading Coins". Part Two was the March program.

MORE FROM DOWN UNDER...

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB member EMANUEL COSTER showed his collection of Australian coins at the December holiday program. FLOYD BRADFORD, JR. had a medal commemorating the Great Chicago Fire of 1893. GWEN HEISTAND "buffalo-ed" everyone with her Buffalo Nickel collection and other buffalo-related artifacts including a skull with horns. (Bad news, Gwen - it's an Indian Head nickel - any related artifacts? No skulls, please.)

JOHN BERGMAN discussed numismatic books at the January meeting. Officers installed while meeting at the Long Beach Yacht Club are: WARREN HEISTAND, Pres.; SALLY UNRATH, VP; FLOYD BRADFORD, Treasurer; ED CAUSUS, Recording Sec.; ARRI JACOB, Editor; GWEN HEISTAND, Historian; and HENRY GLUNZ, Greeter. Board members are HOWARD FELTAM, ROY IWATA, JUDY LUCAS, DR. ROBERT PLLAS, AND BOB SMYTHE. Richard M. Nixon was February's guest by proxy in WALTER OSTROMECKI'S February program.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU !!!

LA Coin Club, December, PAUL BORACK, COINO. ('sound familiar?) Outgoing club Pres. HAL STANBRIDGE says special thanks to the members who helped make his term a successful one - especially MURRAY and SYD SINGER, SIDNEY FAGGOT, ED CASAUS, and GASALY STANBRIDGE. New officers are: MARY YAHALOM as President; LYNDIA RICHARD as 1st VP; SIDNEY FAGGOT, 2nd VP; SIGI SALOMEN, Secretary; JERRY YAHALOM, Treasurer; MURRAY SINGER, Sgt. At Arms (everybody had better behave!); Board Members are PAUL BORACK, GEORGE BOSNA, ED CAUSUS, MAURICE GETZ, HAL STANBRIDGE, WALTER OSTROMECKI. Installation was followed by more COINO. "Numismatics - the Wonderful Way" with ALBERTUS HOOGEVEEN was February's program.

MAPLE LEAF COUNTRY...

WALTER DITTRICH brought "Maple Leaf Country" to the ORANGE COAST COIN CLUB in December, with a discussion of his Canadian coinage. GARY BEEDON presented the excellent "1807-1836 Bust Half Dollars" in January.

ANA Governor HELEN CARMODY installed officers. BILL PANNIER is President; JEFF STAHL, VP; GARY BEEDON, Secretary; MIKE VANYUR, Treasurer. Jeff Stahl showed a specially edited video on the "Discovery of the USS Central America at the February meeting.

ADIOS, BOB!

December's issue of SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB'S "Coin Press" was the last to be edited by BOB MCCARTHY. Bob and his wife will be retiring to a small town in Illinois called Mattoon. HAROLD KATZMAN came all the way from San Diego in January to present "The Wonderful of PNC's." Forty-five people braved the foul weather to attend the awards banquet. The club said its final farewell to AL and VIRGINIA HALL before their departure for Nevada. The Halls were presented Life Memberships in thanks and remembrance of their long time membership and support. BILL and FREDDIE GRANT, and JEANETTE DAAB were awarded 25-Year pins. DON CONRAD was honored as member of the year. RANDY BRIGGS presented the Fred Coops Merit Award to NORM STURGESS, NONA MOORE, WILLIAM WISSELEAD, and CHARLES COLVER.

Officers installed are: FREDDIE GRANT, President; ETHEL LENHERT, VP; FRED LOPEZ, Rec. Sec.; MARY LOPEZ, Corr. Sec.; NORM STURGESS, Treasurer. Board people are DON CONRAD, STEVE D'AGOSTINO, ANGUS BRUCE, MARLIN LENHERT, and BILL GRANT.

The January coin show was attended by 550 people in spite of the rain. In February DR. THOMAS FITZGERALD talked on the "Medals of the Popes."

DONATION AUCTION RAISES FUNDS...

SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY held a potluck dinner and Donation Auction in December and raised \$156 for the club's treasury. An installation dinner was held at the Old Mill Cafe. FLOYD MURPHY and MIKE SHAW were installed as 3-year Board members. DR. THOMAS FITZGERALD was the evening's speaker - the topic was "the Bicentennial of the U.S. Silver Dollar." AL BABER talked about "Gaming Tokens" in February. KAY LENKER has decided to run for ANA Governor, and incumbent Governor HELEN CARMODY is up for re-election.

A FRESH COAT OF PAINT...

Santa Barbara Coin Club had their Christmas party at the Elephant Bar restaurant. In January they returned to their newly renovated regular meeting place at McKenzie Park. Club Pres. GIL BARRY spoke on the collectibility of Phone Cards. February was their annual Auction Night.

18 DESIGNS FOR COINORAMA MEDAL...

The San Diego County Interclub Numismatic Council received 18 designs for the medal to be issued at the 38th Coinorama July 8 & 9. CARL SANBERG'S San Diego Trolley Car was the design selected after several ballots.

The SDC-INC is composed of seven clubs - Chula Vista, Coiners, Heartland, Military, Oceanside/Carlsbad clubs, plus the Numismatic Society of San Diego and the San Diego Numismatic Society.

PRESTIDIGITATION IN VERDUGO HILLS...

Verdugo Hills Coin Club featured Santa Claus and Bingo in December. Ten games were played with eight winners receiving silver dollars and 2 winning the club medal set. 26 door prizes were awarded - 5 were gold coins.

New officers for 1995 are: JEFF KLEMZAK, Pres.; EDDY CASAUS, 1st VP; KEITH MOSURE, 2nd VP; BOB FULLER, Treasurer; ED CAGNON, Asst. Treas.; DORIS FULLER, Sec'ty.; BOB THOMPSON, Editor. Board members are DR. BRUCE BROWN, IRENE DE MATTEI, STEVE ALBANESE, JIM BARTH, JIM HART, MIKE BALDWIN, RICK GORDON, and EARL FRITCHER. Members in attendance at the January program were impressed with prestidigitation by the JESSE KING MAGIC SHOW. Coins disappeared and re-appeared in the most peculiar places all night long. Back to reality in February with RICHARD MURACHANIAN and "Wheeling and Dealing at a Coin Show."

ON THE MOVE AGAIN...

The WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB has been meeting at Glendale federal Bank at 10324 Balboa Boulevard (at Devonshire) in Granada Hills. In order to get this "rent-free" meeting place a club member had to open an account at the bank with a \$10,000 deposit. This member, who prefers to remain anonymous, deserves 10,000 "Thanks!" (minimum). Young Arri Jacob was the club's first speaker at the new location with his program on "An Introduction to Paper Money." (Look out Charlie Colver - there's a new kid on the paper-money block!) The December meeting date fell on Christmas Day, so was canceled. Officers were installed at a January luncheon: JERRY YAHALOM, President; CHRIS EVANS, 1st VP; SIDNEY FAGGOT, 2nd VP; DOROTHY JOHNSON, Corr. Sec.; EILEEN BERNSTEIN, Rec. Secretary. Board members are PHIL IVERSEN, RICHARD MURACHANIAN, HARRY REDER, and MARY YAHALOM. Trustees are MAURICE GETZ, PAUL BORACK, and HAROLD DONALD. GLORIA WENDELL is the club's new newsletter editor.

BINGO!!!

UPLAND COIN CLUB enjoyed dessert while Bingo-ing in December. DON FOSTER won "Cameo & Brilliant Proof Coinage" and WILLIAM WISSLEAD won the "Comprehensive U.S. Silver Dollar Encyclopedia." Members brought a variety of desserts to sample. A gift exchange took place after the refreshment break. LLOYD BEAUCHANE of West Covina talked on "Lore of Copper Coin Collecting." Don Foster did February's program on the Trade Dollar.

WHAT'S NEW EXONUMIA?

EWELL GUNTER of Santa Ana talked about first day covers at WHITTIER COIN CLUB'S December meeting. Many FDC's from his huge collection were on display. PHIL IVERSEN presented "What's New Exonumia, Part 1" in January. Phil amplified his presentation with a display of many types of exonumia. Appropriately, "Love Tokens" was the February program given by JESSE AYALA. Club Secretary ESTER BROMBERG is recovering from a stroke - every one wishes her a quick and complete recovery.

ANY VOLUNTEERS FOR A 2nd VICE PRESIDENT??

VENTURA COUNTY COIN CLUB enjoyed a December pot-luck. The large number in attendance enjoyed food fit for royalty. Fun and games followed food. PHIL IVERSEN installed new officers in January, and followed up with the program - a coin grading contest. GARY BRUKETTA, the 2nd VP has announced that he must resign, regrettably, so the club is looking for some talent to fill that vacancy. Any volunteers?

Collected From Circulation

-- Newsworthy Notes from the Numismatic Mailbag

Mary Is Down, Not Out ...

News has reached us that Mary Colver, Charlie's dear wife, has taken a tumble and broken her hip. She's as "okay" as a person can be after this type of injury, but it will be a while before she's up again. A note of sympathy and encouragement would be a nice gesture. (611 Banna Ave., Covina, CA 91724)

Carmody & Lenker Running for ANA Governor

Helen Carmody, incumbent ANA governor, is running for a second term. Kay Lenker is running for a first term. Both are CSNA members whose work in numismatics would fill volumes.

California has more numismatists than any other state in the nation. We can put two Californians on the ANA board just by checking the right boxes on the ballot. Look for the ballots as a tear-out page in the ANA's *Numismatist*.

World War II Series to Close

The Solano Silver Round Club will conclude its series of medals commemorating notable events of World War II with this year's medal(s). A total of 37 (!!) designs were submitted for the final medal. The winning design was by Jan Henke, titled "Mt. Suribachi - Iwo Jima." Two designs were selected for a possible combination for a likely second medal. Artwork and ordering information are forthcoming, the club newsletter states. The club's address is P.O. Box 3518, Fairfield, CA 94533.

Heartland Coin Club Medal

The 1995 Heartland Coin Club medal will be out in May. Obverse features the historical Los Coches Trestle supporting the sweeping horizontal arc of the San Diego Flume across a mile-wide valley. The 33-mile long wooden aqueduct was built in the late 1800's to bring water to the orchards from the Cuyamaca Mountains. The photo we received is too weak to reproduce here. It's a very detailed medal, and no illustration could do it justice anyway. \$27.50 for the set of four in silver and bronze, shiny & antiqued. Maybe individual pieces are available? - the literature did not say. Order or get more info from HCC, Paul Olson, 1230 Linroe Drive, Lakeside, CA 92040.

CSNA Medals Wanted

Dr. De Whayne Gallups needs two CSNA silver medals to complete his collection - the 40th Convention, 1967, Sutter's Fort, and the 41st Convention, 1967, Disneyland. He also needs Heartland medals 1985, 1986, & 1993. He's been buying surplus medals in lots and now has a long list of duplicates he'd like to sell or trade. Contact him at 1050 Pine Canyon Circle, Anaheim Hills, CA 92807, or (714) 998-2929.

Mr. Jan Henke needs a CSNA 1967 41st Convention silver, and oxidized bronzes from the 1973 52nd convention and the 1978 62nd convention. Jan can be reached at (707) 427-0482.

Louis Kretovics needs 35th, 40th, 41st convention medals in silver; 38th & 50th in nickel-silver, plus others. Get Louis's want-list from him at 1530 W. 29th St., Lorain, OH 44052-4464.

Maybe these three ought to get together on a conference call?

Excu-u-use Us Please !!!

In the previous edition we tried to show you the fine medals being produced by the San Bernardino County Coin Club and the Peninsula Coin Club. For some strange reason the pictures didn't get to the spaces allotted ... so let's try again:



SBCCC Medal



Peninsula Club Medal

The SBCCC medal's obverse has the Lamp of Knowledge with 13 stars. Reverse is the club logo. Medals are in silver, bronze, oxidized bronze, and aluminum. For availability or to order, inquire of the club at P.O. Box 295, Patton, CA 92369-0295,.

The obverse of the PCC medal has a 1894 bicycle and MUSEUM OF AMERICAN HERITAGE PALO ALTO CENTENNIAL around the perimeter. The reverse is the club logo, based on the Moffat-Humbert \$50 gold piece. We've been informed that the medals have sold out. You can contact Fred van den Haak at P.O. Box 60484, Palo Alto, CA 94306 to ask if any extras have surfaced.

- KEY DATES -

A Calendar Of CSNA And Member Club Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION EVENTS

August 16-20, 1995

104th ANA Anniversary Convention

Anaheim, California

Info: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Chairman
P.O. Box 4144, Covina, CA 91724

September 22-23, 1995

Golden State Coin Show & 96th CSNA Convention

Pickwick Center, 1001 Riverside Drive, Burbank, CA

Info: Chairman: Phil Iversen.....(818) 788-1129

Bourse: Kay Lenker(619) 222-8739

Exhibits: Don Foster(818) 447-9483

CSNA MEMBER CLUB SHOWS

April 22-23, 1995

Sacramento Valley Coin Club, 13th Annual Spring Coin Show

Saturday 10AM-6PM, Sunday 9AM-3PM

La Sierra Community Center

5325 Engle Rd, Carmichael, CA

Info: Sacramento Valley Coin Club

P.O. Box 160122, Sacramento, CA 95816

May 7, 1995

Vallejo Coin & Collectibles Show

Sunday 9AM-5PM, Free Admission, \$2.00 Parking

Dan Foley Cultural Center

Tuolumne & North Camino Alto, Vallejo, CA

Info: Vallejo Numismatic Society

P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo, CA 94590

Phone: (707) 554-3635

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KEY DATES, continued ...

CSNA MEMBER CLUB SHOWS, continued ...

June 10-11, 1995

Gateway Coin Club of Merced, 21st Annual Coin Show

Saturday 10AM-6PM, Sunday 10AM-4PM

Merced Mall, "R" Street & Olive Avenue, Merced, CA

Info: Bourse Chairman, Gateway Coin Club

P. O. Box 3101, Merced, CA 95344

June 24-25, 1995

Cupertino Coin Club, 25th Annual Coin Show

Saturday 10AM-6PM, Sunday 10AM-4PM, \$1 Admission

San Jose Masonic Temple

2500 Masonic Drive, San Jose, CA

Info: Cupertino Coin Club

P. O. Box 448, Cupertino, CA 95015

September 10, 1995

Fairfield Coin Club, Sixth Annual Coin Show

Sunday 9AM-5M, Free Admission, Free Parking

WestAmerica Building, Suisun Recreation Center

333 Sunset Ave., (Sunset & Merganser, off Hwy 12)

Suisun City, CA

Info: Fairfield Coin Club, Mr. Jan Henke

P. O. Box 944, Fairfield, CA 94533

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ATTENTION CSNA MEMBER CLUBS!!

Calcoin News would like to help your club publicize its show or event by including it in our **Key Dates** feature.

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December 1, 1994 through 28 February, 1995

Ethel Lenhart, Corresponding Secretary

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- R-5699 KEMBLE, EUGENE T.
4357 Heather Circle, Chino, CA 91710
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| R-5161 to LM 42-2 | DONNELL, GORDON R. |
| R-4304 to LM 35-15 | LANGE, DAVID W. |

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| R-3899 | BLUE, EILEEN R. |
| A-5297 | CUNNINGHAM, LINDA |
| A-5570 | ESHELMAN, LEE |
| R-5328 | NIKODYM, DAVID W. |
| R-3980 | OSTROMECKI, WALTER A. |
| A-5334 | SCHNEIDER, PILAR |
| A-5565 | SMITH, MERRI K. |
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R-3223	BENNETT, RUTH E.
R-5571	FLETCHER, LARRY R.
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LM 36-1	DOWNEY, CONNIE
LM 35-10	WITTENBERG, FRED

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Membership on December 1, 1994	872
New Members (1 December, 1994 to 28 February, 1995)	6
Dropped, Address Unknown	7
Resigned	7
Deceased	5
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